

**TODAY and
TOMORROW**

**Compromise
Unthinkable**

SIR Tej Bahadur Sapru's Conciliation Committee has released its proposals. A New Delhi report on these proposals says that they amount to Dominion Status for India. The main points of the proposals as given by New Delhi, however, do not make it clear what actual powers would be transferred from British hands to the Indian people themselves. But even as New Delhi claims, India is to be part of the British Empire under the British sovereign, having the status of a Dominion and a Federal Constitution, excluding the Native States, with autonomous Governments in the provinces.

Conciliation, compromise, they all lead to the same thing—the continuation of British tyranny in India. After decades of bitter struggle for self-government and Dominion Status, the Indian National Congress and all our great leaders realised more than 15 years ago that nothing short of complete independence must be India's goal. In the course of several decades of bargaining and negotiation with the British Government, along with constant revolutionary campaigns, the Indian people realised soon after the last war that to allow the Britisher the least foothold in India was to confirm and eternalise India's slavery.

Thus as early as 1929, the Indian National Congress made the demand for complete independence. For 13 years from 1929 to 1942, the Indian people tried to persuade the British to Quit India by passive resistance methods—13 years of bitter struggle and painful martyrdom. In 1942, Gandhiji and all our nationalist leaders saw no other alternative but to make the Quit India demand and to launch mass civil disobedience.

For Independence, India has waged bitter and relentless war against the British for 3 years—and before that more than a century of bitter agitation and revolution. And now Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and his friends come as conciliators and suggest a compromise. They tell the Indian people without the least misgivings, "India must be under the British Raj but we promise you large and great political concessions." If Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru thinks Dominion Status good enough for India, he is only Indian in name and by birth. To the Indian people, there is nothing short of complete independence that will satisfy them.

Conciliation and compromise have no place in any Indian's mind, because conciliation or compromise means acceptance of British domination or control at least nominally and no self-respecting Indian will consider any such proposals.

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True Loyalty Of Chosen, Taiwan People Praised

*Koiso Pays High Tribute
For Unstinted Support For
Greater E. Asia War*

Tokyo, April 1 (Domei)—In a statement issued today, Premier General Kuniaki Koiso said that he was profoundly inspired by the Imperial Rescript which TENNO HEIKA had graciously granted on the occasion of the promulgation of the laws permitting the people of Chosen and Taiwan to participate in legislative bodies of the empire.

Stating that in the Imperial Rescript, TENNO HEIKA commanded the whole nation, in harmony and unity, to do their utmost to assist the Imperial Rule, the Premier expressed renewed determination to devote his all to assist the Throne, in obeying the august wishes of His Imperial Majesty.

Paying high tribute to the people of Chosen and Taiwan, the Premier declared that our brethren in Chosen and Taiwan were quick to cultivate their national character and awaken as worthy Imperial subjects. He stressed that particularly in the fields of industry, economy and culture, Chosen and Taiwan had made unprecedentedly remarkable development under the Imperial Rule. Furthermore, prior to the proclamation of the Military Conscription Law, now in force, our brethren in Chosen and Taiwan had displayed their loyalty and devotion to the cause of the State as volunteers and military employees, the Premier emphasized.

At this juncture, when the Empire is now confronted with the important task of consummating successfully the War of Greater East Asia, our brethren in Chosen and Taiwan are urged to do their utmost to fulfil their mission to defend the Empire in obedience to the Imperial wishes, the Premier concluded.

Stiff Nippon Resistance On By-Passed Pacifics.

Lisbon, April 1 (Domei)—That Australian troops are having no easy time in coping with Nippon resistance in by-passed South-western Pacific Islands was today reflected in an Australian dispatch stating that the Australian troops in Bougainville are engaged in some of the heaviest fighting ever experienced there since the United States forces landed at Empress Augusta Bay in November, 1943.

The report said that the Australians were running into fierce Nippon resistance from pillbox defences, indicating that Australian casualties can be expected to be heavy.

In northern New Guinea, Nippon opposition was also said to be heavy.

146 ENEMY WARCRRAFT SUNK OR DAMAGED OFF OKINAWA DURING EIGHT-DAY PERIOD

*Foe Invasion Fleet Dealt Heavy
Blow In Okinawa War Operations*

Since the Americans began landing operations on the main Okinawa Island and other smaller Isles in the vicinity on Saturday and Sunday, their losses in warcraft and landing vessels have mounted at a colossal rate. The Imperial Headquarters, in the latest communique issued at 3.30 p.m. yesterday revealed that 41 more enemy vessels were either sunk or damaged, bringing the total enemy losses up to date to 146 ships.

The Imperial communique reads as follows:—

Firstly, the enemy, since about 10 a.m. on April 1st, began landing operations between the vicinity of Kitatani and Zampa Point, and ever since then has been reinforced continuously. Our garrison units, intercepting the invaders, are engaged in fierce battle.

Secondly, of the losses inflicted on enemy warcraft and other vessels, the following has been confirmed since the previous announcement:

Sunk: Four cruisers, one transport, 3 warcraft of unidentified category and 16 landing transports.

Sunk or Damaged: 2 aircraft-carriers, and one battleship.

Damaged: 2 aircraft-carriers, 1 battleship, 1 oil tanker or

aircraft-carrier, 1 cruiser, 2 destroyers, 5 transports and 2 warcraft of unidentified category.

During the 8-day period since enemy task forces appeared in the nearby water of Okinawa, Nippon body-crashing flyers and other air force and surface units have accounted for a total of 146 enemy ships either sunk or damaged. Of this startling figure, 83 ships were definitely sunk, 9 sunk or damaged and 54 others damaged.

A detailed tabulation of the brilliant Nippon achievements is made up as follows:

Sunk: 3 aircraft-carriers, 2 battleships, 5 large-sized warcraft, 16 cruisers, 1 cruiser or destroyer, 15 destroyers, 1 mine-sweeper, 2 transports, 22 warcraft of unconfirmed category and 16 landing transports. Total 83 ships sunk.

Sunk or Damaged: 2 aircraft-carriers, 1 battleship, one battleship or cruiser and five other large-sized aircraft, totally nine ships sunk or damaged.

Damaged: 2 aircraft-carriers, 2 battleships, 11 battleships or cruisers, 2 cruisers, 12 destroyers, 1 oil tanker or aircraft-carrier, 9 transports and 15 warcraft of unconfirmed category, making the total enemy ships damaged to 54.

Azad Hind Fauj Takes Offensive On Burma Front; Vital Positions Occupied

Rangoon, April 1 (Domei)—Latest dispatches received by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Supreme Commander of the Azad Hind Fauj, from the Upper Burma front disclosed that the Indian National Army is taking the offensive whenever it contacts the enemy.

According to one dispatch a unit of the Indian National Army, under Lieutenant-Colonel P. K. Saigal, in co-operation with Nippon troops, on March 14 occupied a position south of Pinbyin and launched an attack

against Pinbyin from three directions with a small force, throwing enemy into confusion.

A second dispatch reported that a certain unit of the Azad Hind Fauj, in collaboration with Nippon forces, made a thrust into Taungzin, 20 kilometres south of Nyaungu and occupied that place.

Another unit of the Azad Hind Fauj, in the second week of March, went into battle at night-time, two kilometres north of Thetma, east of the Irrawaddy, and inflicted very heavy casualties on the enemy.

India Determined To Attain Full Freedom Despite Sapru Proposals

A New Delhi report has given wide publicity to a resolution passed by the so-called Conciliation Committee under the chairmanship of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru. The committee has, according to the New Delhi report, recommended that India should be a part of the British Empire under the British sovereign having the status of a Dominion and a Federal Constitution excluding

the Native States with autonomous governments in the provinces.

Competent political observers, commenting on the Committee's proposals, declare that these proposals virtually amount to a compromise with the British Government and that they fall far short of the Congress demand for "Purna Swaraj". They add that these proposals will not make the least im-

Okinawa Army Units Furiously Resist Invaders

*Inflict Tremendous Losses
In Men & Materials In
Big Counter-Attacks*

Tokyo, April 2 (Domei)—The enemy force which finally commenced landing operations on Okinawa at about 8 o'clock on the morning of April 1 comprises two or three divisions, with the enemy having landed approximately 6,000 troops on the western coast of the main island between Kateno and Kuzu. Fierce battles are at present raging, with our ground and air forces carrying out fierce counter-attacks against the landed enemy forces.

War results confirmed as scored by our Army Special Attack Corps, which has engaged the enemy landing force in fierce attacks on the sea west of the main island, from the night of March 31 till dawn the following morning. Include one enemy medium transport set ablaze, two columns of smoke and two heavy explosions caused.

Moreover, our garrison units in fierce counter-attacks against the landed enemy force up to 7.30 p.m. on April 1 had killed or wounded a total of more than 2,100 enemy troops, of which 550 were accounted for on land. Our forces also knocked out 18 tanks, heavily damaged 18 landing barges and shot down two and heavily damaged three enemy aircraft.

On the other hand, an enemy force which attempted landing operations in the vicinity of Minatogawa, on the west coast of the main island, was forced to withdraw from the beach area due to our fierce counter-attacks, and had retreated to a point approximately 10,000 metres off the shore, south of Shimajiri.

British War Expenses Over £6,000,000,000

Lisbon, March 31 (Domei)—A Reuter dispatch from London, reflecting the heavy strain the war is imposing on Britain's finances, today reported that Britain's wartime expenditures in the past fiscal year reached a new record, with Treasury figures listing the total ordinary expenditure at over £6,000,000,000—the largest sum Britain has ever spent in a single year. Including today's figure, Britain has spent a total of nearly £28,000,000,000 so far in the war, the message said.

pression on the Indian nationalists who are determined more than ever to achieve India's complete independence at any cost.

Enemy Fort Captured North Of Zamboanga

On the Philippines Front, April 1 (Domei)—Completing the readjustment of their battleline in the mountainous sector north of Zamboanga on March 25, Nippon defenders in this sector on the next day, March 26, launched effective counter-attacks against the enemy invaders, which resulted in the capture of a portion of the enemy's position by a section of our forces. More than 60 casualties were inflicted on the enemy, while eight enemy bivouacs and one barrack were destroyed.

On the following day, about 50 of our troops, led by Lieutenant Matsumoto, fiercely attacked the enemy fort manned by about 150 troops, equipped with trench-mortars, and completely captured the enemy position after killing about 110 enemy soldiers.

Reich And Thai Envoys Call On Shigemitsu

Tokyo, March 30 (Domei)—Dr. H. G. Stahmer, German Ambassador to Nippon and Wicht-Wicht Wathakan, Thai Ambassador to Nippon, this afternoon called on Mamoru Shigemitsu, Foreign Minister, at his official residence. Foreign Minister Shigemitsu also this afternoon received Widar Bagge, Swedish Minister in Nippon, who paid a courtesy visit to report to Shigemitsu on his resignation.

Enemy Changting Base Again Raided, Blasted

A Nippon Base in the China Continent, March 31 (Domei)—Following up their night raid carried out on March 28, our bomber units before dawn March 31 surprise-raided the new enemy airfield at Changting, Fukien Province.

Our raiders concentrated their attack on airfield facilities but owing to poor visibility prevailing, our pilots were unable to confirm their war results.

The airfield, located at the foot of the mountain north of Changting, has a single runway measuring 1,400 metres in length and 60 metres wide, while an auxiliary runway runs parallel to it. Shelters and other facilities still remain to be constructed.

Mopping-up Operation Results In Shantung

Tsinan, March 31 (Domei)—In mopping-up operations conducted from January 10 to the middle of this month against enemy remnants in various parts of Shantung Province, Nippon forces accounted for 5,074 enemy dead abandoned on the battlefields and took prisoner 2,265 enemy troops.

In the same period, our forces also demolished 21 enemy military establishments and captured 65 heavy and light machineguns, three trench-mortars, 4,215 rifles, 230 pistols, 48 artillery pieces, 17,430 hand-grenades, and 21,000 rounds of ammunition, as well as large quantities of other weapons and war materials.

American Coal Miners' Strike Narrowly Averted

Lisbon, April 1 (Domei)—The threatened strike of 400,000 American coal miners throughout the United States was narrowly averted yesterday when both soft-coal operators and the United Mine Workers Union accepted the American War Labour Board's order to extend indefinitely their current working contract, according to a Washington dispatch. The contract was scheduled to expire on midnight Saturday.

Power Politics Stir Up Coming 'Frisco Confab

Lisbon, March 31 (Domei)—Although the scheduled holding of the San Francisco Conference is still weeks off, already suspicion and distrust have begun to work their way into the ranks of the participating powers, especially with regard to the issue of vote representation arising from the arbitrary decision of both the Soviet Union and the United States to secure three votes each for themselves without apparent consultation with Britain.

A further sour note was injected into the forthcoming anti-Axis world confab today when dispatches from Washington and London reported that both Britain and the United States have turned down a Soviet request for a seat for the Russian-sponsored Lublin Polish Government at the proposed San Francisco talks.

Moscow Radio revealed that the Soviet Government had sent a note to Britain, the United States and Chungking supporting the demand of the Lublin Government to be invited, as it considered the former Government to represent the will of the Polish people.

In its note, the Soviet Government was reported to have agreed to the participation of India, Bolivia, Paraguay and other nations with whom the U.S.S.R. has no direct diplomatic relations.

The American State Department, however, informed Russia that it could not recognize the demand of the present Lublin Government and hoped that a new Polish Provisional Government of National Unity, conforming to the decisions of the Crimea Conference, would be completed in time in order to enable it to send a delegation to the San Francisco talks.

All indications, however, pointed to the fact that each of the Big Three powers is seeking to muster as much vote support for itself as possible at the forthcoming Conference and is trying to prevent the others from directly or indirectly securing a favourable vote margin.

The United States, it will be recalled, recently bargained with Russia to secure three votes each. While the Soviet Union appeared to be justified in asking for more votes in order to represent the Ukrainian and White Russian Soviet republics, considerable suspicion was aroused even among Americans as to the United States' decision to secure three votes similar to Russia.

In the case of the Lublin Government, both the United States and Britain are believed to have been prompted in turning down the Soviet note more from the consideration of checking Soviet voting power than any dissatisfaction over the present composition of the Lublin Government.

Meantime, another significant dispatch from Canberra said that Australia, it is authoritatively learned, will object to smaller nations who have never taken part in the war, having a vote at the San Francisco Conference if Australia is not to have a separate vote.

Australia does not want merely to be included in the empire bloc without prior consultation, the dispatch said.

Mutual Jealousy & Distrust Tear Enemy Camp

(By Chandra Gupta)

Tokyo, March 31 (Domei)—According to a Reuter's dispatch from Sydney on March 16 many Australians welcomed the protests made in the British House of Commons against the lack of publicity given by the American Press and public to the activities of British forces on the Western Front.

Australians are really annoyed at the way American propaganda has been twisting facts. According to American propaganda it looks as if all fighting is done by the Americans alone singlehanded. It might be true in the case of the Western Front fighting. For we know what the British are and how far they are capable of fighting. But the same cannot be said of the Aussies. Therefore resentful are the Aussies over the fact that the hard fighting, which they are carrying on in by-passed areas in the Pacific, which are still in the iron grips of Nippon forces, is disregarded while great publicity is given to American operations in the Pacific.

Well these are matters very trivial and nobody should bother about it at this time when the war has reached its climax everywhere. Yet it reflects the ineradicable jealousy existing between the Anglo-American countries. Of course as to the fighting on the Western Front, it goes without saying that the British have little in it. The Americans are undoubtedly bearing the whole brunt of the fighting in this sector. The British will always try to get others to do all the dirty work for them. In this respect there is nobody to beat the British. Britain is past master in this art. Therefore, the British have really no ground for complaint. British forces are there on the Western Front with American supply of arms and ammunition as camp-followers of the American forces to loot and plunder the peoples of occupied areas and to commit all sorts of inhuman crimes in these areas.

British "Chivalry"

Britain's might will be fully displayed over weaker nations and the unarmed men and women of India for asking their legitimate rights. In such cases the British lion will come out of its cave and roar as loud as she can to threaten the people. We have had many instances of British might in our own motherland where they used their air force, artillery, armoured cars and tanks and poison gas toward unarmed innocent men, women and children who cried for their birthright.

In Malaya when Indian estate labourers asked for a small increase in their wage just before the outbreak of the Greater East Asia War, fully equipped British mechanized troops were sent to quell the strike and British Tommies shot unarmed labourers at Klang. But when Nippon started her offensive, only God knows how the Britishers vanished like mist in the sunshine. Such are the heroic exploits of the brave British!

Britain wants to create her own sphere of influence in Europe after the war. Britain has so far maintained her status, her so-called prestige and power purely on bluff. So, in

Enemy Advance Slows Down On Western Front

Berlin, April 1 (Domei)—The German High Command today reported fierce defensive fighting on the Dutch border north and north-east of Emmerich and in the area of Bursteinfurt, adding that in the Warburg area, north of Kassel, German legions hurled back enemy spearheads.

At Siegen and in the Rothaar Mountains, the communique said "the enemy increased his pressure towards the north and north-west but he was held, losing numerous tanks."

Walter Plato, Trans-Ocean military commentator, today stressed that the current warfare on the Western Front is characterized by mobile action. "Continually increasing pressure exercised by the British and the Americans is being met by the growing stiffness of German resistance, coupled with German defensive successes."

One instance of German defensive strength, he pointed out, was the destruction of a strong tank spearhead of the American Third Army which had advanced into the area of Lohr, on the Main.

In the course of fighting yesterday, the Germans also were able to prevent decisive break-throughs, he stated, adding, "It remains to be seen whether this considerable weakening of the enemy may not lead to a surprise in the coming days or weeks, in view of the concentration of German strength arising from shortened lines."

It is to be noted with significance, he said, that the enemy's movements have become slower with every day, and anti-Axis correspondents have distorted initial reports of anti-Axis gains to such an extent that during the past 48 hours, the anti-Axis authorities themselves have been compelled to warn against over-optimism.

The German High Command, in the meantime, said that fierce fighting is taking place west of Kassel and at Hersfeld, to the east of which the Americans have reached the Werra River.

South of Aschaffenburg, the communique admitted minor American advances in the Main Valley between Miltenberg and Wertheim and on the Lower Tauber River.

order to impress the people. Britain must be hailed as a great country. The Americans are not doing that. And this lack of publicity for the exploits of the British may give rise to among the peoples of the countries of Western Europe and in British colonial possessions, a widespread feeling of contempt and ridicule for Britain and a greater admiration for the Americans. The British lion cannot brook it.

Now this ranking jealousy which exists between the United States and Britain is not confined to the military field alone. In the economic field too, they are embittered enemies. Money is not only at stake in this rivalry but also the question of power and prestige. It is this ever-present undercurrent of jealousy and distrust which makes Anglo-American professions of unity a mere bunkum. Unity to be valid must be based on mutual trust and understanding and not on greed and lust.

Nippon Air Units Blast Enemy Ships Off Cebu

Philippine Frontline Base, April 1 (Domei)—Firing down on American war-vessels at anchorage off Cebu, Nippon bombers on March 28 heavily damaged two enemy transports and blasted enemy supply depots in the vicinity of Cebu airfield, setting one of the dumps ablaze.

Other Nippon airmen were reported to have bombed and strafed enemy troops, spearheaded with more than 20 tanks, which invaded the Cebu airfield.

Enemy P-51 Fighters Raid Shanghai Area

Shanghai, April 2 (Domei)—Several P-51 fighters raided the Shanghai area from about 10.20 this morning. Part of the enemy raiders flew over the business sections of the city without dropping any bombs.

Indian National School Enrols Fresh Students

Students will be enrolled for the new sessions of the Adult Hindustani and Nippon-Go Classes at the Indian National School, No. 9 Norris Road, commencing from April 6 between 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

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